## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION - FINAL RULE

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI MISSISSIPPI WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Mississippi Workers' Compensation Comm.

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Specific Legal Authority authorizing promulgation of Rule:

Miss. Code Ann. §71-3-15(3); 71-3-85 (Rev. 2000)

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the

Proposed Rule: WC Medical Fee Schedule, Gen. Rule 12,

Procedural Rule 18.

Date Rules Proposed: May 4, 2007; June 6, 2007

## Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and reasons for adopting the Rule:

The purpose of the proposed rules is to update and clarify provisions of our Medical Fee Schedule based on changes to both the method and cost of delivery of medical services, and based on the need to make the process of billing, payment and dispute resolution more efficient for payers and providers.

The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comments received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.

XXX An oral proceeding was held on this rule: May 29, 2007

2:00 p.m. CST - 4:00 p.m. CST

June 28, 2007

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. CST

Hearing Room C

Miss. Workers' Compensation Commission 1428 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, MS 39216

## The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceeding, and

XXX This rule differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule.

XXX The rules adopted differ from the proposed rules. The differences, however, are within the scope of the matters in the Notices of Proposed Rule Adoption, are logical outgrowths of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could be the rule(s) in question.

The entire text of the proposed rules including the text of any rules being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: AUGUST 1, 2007

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